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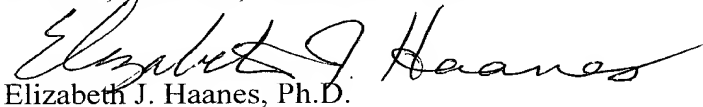
Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final decision of the Examiner dated **August 23, 2002**, in which claims 287-299, 319, 326-339, 351, 353-373, 389, 391-415, 431, 433-458, 476, 478-565, 567-594, and 608-622 were finally or twice rejected.

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